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SUBJECT: ITU REGIONAL LW/MW BROADCASTING CONFERENCE:

LW FREQUENCY FOR U.S.

1. BUNDESPOST DIRECTOR KUPPER ADVISED BOARD FOR INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING ON APRIL 23 OF LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN FRG CONSULTATIONS ON SUBMISSION OF FREQUENCY REQUIREMENTS. HE STATED THAT NEITHER BUNDESPOST NOR LAENDER HAD INTERPOSED ANY OBJECTION TO FRG SUBMISSION BY MAY 1 DEADLINE OF LONGWAVE FREQUENCY INTENDED FOR U.S. USE. DEUTSCHLANDFUNK (DF) REPRESENTATIVE HOWEVER DID INTERPOSE TENTATIVE OBJECTION AT MEETING WITH BMP; AND IT WAS AGREED THAT DF INTENDANT APPEL WOULD BE ASKED TO REVIEW DF POSITION. KUPPER UNDERSTANDS DF OBJECTION RELATES TO POTENTIAL INTERFERENCE TO DF LW TRANSMITTERS AT DONAUBACH.

2. KUPPER EXPRESSED INCREASED OPTIMISM OVER PAST ASSESSMENT THAT 8KHZ CHANNEL SEPARATION ON LW BAND MAY BE AGREED TO AT GENEVA CONFERENCE, A STEP GENERALLY AGREED AS SINE QUA NON
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TO ASSIGNMENT OF LW FREQUENCY TO GERMANY FOR U.S. USE.

3. KUPPER OPINED APPEL LIKELY TO OPPOSE SUBMISSION OF U.S. LW REQUIREMENT AND TO TAKE CASE TO FOREIGN OFFICE. KUPPER THEREFORE SUGGESTED U.S. REITERATE IMPORTANCE OF FREQUENCY TO FOREIGN OFFICE ON URGENT BASIS IF WE HOPED FOR FAVORABLE FRG DECISION DUE TO BE CONVEYED TO U.S. APRIL 25.

4. REQUEST THAT WITHOUT REFERENCE TO KUPPER, EMBASSY REMIND FOREIGN OFFICE OF CONSIDERABLE VALUE U.S. ATTRIBUTES TO POSSIBILITY OF OBTAINING LONGWAVE FREQUENCY FOR BROADCASTING FROM ERCHING TO EAST EUROPE AND USSR. YOU SHOULD DRAW ATTENTION TO FACT WE SEEK CLEAR FREQUENCY ONLY AND HAVE NO INTENTION WHATEVER PRECIPITATE CONFLICT WITH SOVIET LW BROADCASTS. KISSINGER

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